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The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" If co-operative societies are to be formed for the rearing of that type of pigs, then they will cease to be ' sanitary inspectors ' as described by the hon. Member."

Conversion of second-grade colleges into first-grade.

* 1354 *Q.*—Sri N. K. PALANISAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of Government second grade colleges converted into first grade colleges in the State during 1954 ;

(*b*) the number of Government colleges proposed to be converted into first grade colleges during 1955 ;

(*c*) whether the post-graduate course and B.Sc. course have been introduced in the Coimbatore Arts College ; and

(*d*) if not, why ?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) There was no second grade Government college in the Madras State in 1953–54. Hence the conversion did not arise in 1954.

" (*b*) Does not arise.

" (*c*) No, Sir.

" (*d*) The University does not permit the opening of new Post-Graduate courses in the affiliated colleges in the mufassal. B.Sc., courses could not be opened in the Government Arts College, Coimbatore, for want of accommodation."

Sri N. K. PALANISAMY :—" இந்த கோர்ஸ்களை அடுத்த வருஷமாவது ஏற்படுத்துவதற்கு சர்க்கார் யோசித்து வருக்கிறார்களா ? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" அடுத்த வருஷம் ஏற்படுத்துவதற்கும் சௌகர்யம் இல்லை."

Sri T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" In view of the fact that we have more Arts colleges than colleges having B.Sc. and other technical courses, will the Government see that more B.Sc. and other technical courses are introduced in our colleges as we want to industrialize our country and set up a socialistic pattern of society in line with the industrial policy adopted in the Parliament? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—B.Sc. course is only a Science course and there is a difference of opinion whether we should have more B.Sc. courses or B.A. courses. I could very well understand the introduction of more technical courses in our colleges. But now the opinion seems to be that B.Sc. courses should be limited and there should be more emphasis on general education and B,A. courses are more beneficial to the students than B.Sc. courses."

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MR. SPEAKER :—" Questions Nos. 1355 and 1356 may be taken up together."

Lignite Mines, Neyveli.

* 1355 *Q.*—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether an Eight-man Committee has been appointed for Neyveli Lignite Mines; and

(*b*) if so, who the members are and the functions of the Committee?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) A statement [a] is placed on the table of the House."

* 1356 *Q.*—SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any conference of representatives of the Union Government and the State Government was held recently regarding Neyveli Lignite Project;

(*b*) if so, the scheme proposed by this Conference;

(*c*) whether the schemes have been approved by this Government; and

(*d*) when they will be given effect to?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) *to* (*d*) No scheme for the exploitation and utilization of lignite was decided upon at that conference. It was decided that further drilling and pumping tests should be carried out and that an integrated scheme drawn up after the results of the tests are available. Arrangements are being made for the conduct of the tests."

SRI K. ARANGANATHAN :—" May I know whether Sri Ghosh is one among the technical assistants appointed by this Committee and whether he continues in his appointment? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Technical assistance has been sought and is being given by a British firm, namely Powell Duffryn Technical Services. Mr. Ghosh does not belong to that firm."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" As this is an important question which has been figuring very often in this House, will the Government be pleased to issue a white paper on this subject containing all the relevant information? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" After the investigations are completed and the Project report is prepared by the co-ordinating committee, the Government may consider the issuing of a white paper."

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[a] Printed as Appendix on page 789 infra.